

Table 5. Reasons for seeking an HIV test among participants who had ever been tested, by recruitment venue, HIV Testing Survey, 2001

Reason	A reason ^a						Main reason ^b					
	MSM (Bar) (n=525)		HRH (STD Clinic) (n=365)		IDU (Street/NEP) (n=488)		MSM (Bar) (n=525)		HRH (STD Clinic) (n=365)		IDU (Street/NEP) (n=488)	
	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)
To know where they stood	489	(93)	327	(90)	420	(86)	273	(52)	175	(48)	197	(40)
Thought exposed through sex	355	(68)	198	(54)	219	(45)	85	(16)	54	(15)	24	(5)
Thought exposed through drug use	24	(5)	16	(4)	358	(73)	1	(0)	3	(1)	125	(26)
Concerned about transmitting HIV	206	(39)	104	(28)	213	(44)	21	(4)	12	(3)	25	(5)
Wanted medical care if positive	261	(50)	182	(50)	298	(61)	13	(2)	12	(3)	16	(3)
Pregnant or wanted to have a child	9	(2)	65	(18)	44	(9)	3	(1)	32	(9)	6	(1)
Part of STD or routine checkup	186	(35)	197	(54)	153	(31)	9	(2)	27	(7)	2	(0)
Partner said he/she was HIV-positive	88	(17)	5	(1)	36	(7)	21	(4)	1	(0)	11	(2)
Sex partner wanted you to	129	(25)	61	(17)	105	(22)	15	(3)	7	(2)	10	(2)
Required for insurance/military/jail	67	(13)	38	(10)	65	(13)	7	(1)	11	(3)	12	(2)
Someone (other than a doctor) suggested getting tested	160	(30)	64	(18)	161	(33)	15	(3)	3	(1)	10	(2)
Suspected an HIV-related health problem	51	(10)	24	(7)	64	(13)	6	(1)	7	(2)	9	(2)
Doctor suggested getting tested	92	(18)	87	(24)	84	(17)	6	(1)	5	(1)	10	(2)
Other	87	(17)	54	(15)	60	(12)	25	(5)	14	(4)	21	(4)

Note. Numbers may not add to totals due to missing data. Column percentages for main reason may not add to 100 due to rounding.

MSM, Men who have Sex with Men; HRH, High Risk Heterosexuals; IDU, Injection Drug Users; NEP, Needle Exchange Program

^a Participants were asked to indicate whether each factor had contributed to seeking testing ("A reason").

^b Participants were asked to indicate which factor was the main one ("Main reason").